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House Resolution 1622

By: Representative Reece of the 11th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Ms. Mildred Pettett; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Ms. Mildred Pettett was born in the hills of Tennessee in the early years of the
- 3 twentieth century, the second child in a family of nine children; she was ten-years-old when
- 4 the Great Depression devastated the country, and her hard-working parents battled the hard
- 5 economic times to ensure that their children had the best opportunities possible; and
- 6 WHEREAS, after growing to maturity in Trion, Georgia, Ms. Pettett married a fine man and
- 7 four daughters were born of the union, and with her husband's support she was able to further
- 8 her education, attending business school and studying mathematics, accounting, and
- 9 chemistry; and
- WHEREAS, she held the position of laboratory technician with Riegel for 45 years, and in
- addition to that work she opened a tax accounting and bookkeeping business in her home;
- 12 and
- WHEREAS, in 1986, she became a volunteer bookkeeper-treasurer with the North Georgia
- 14 Crisis Pregnancy Center, and because she truly believed in the center's mission, she threw
- 15 herself into the work and after only six years was elected director, and shortly thereafter was
- asked to open and direct a second center in LaFayette; and
- 17 WHEREAS, she has counseled hundreds of women in times of trouble and has inspired many
- 18 churches and individuals to support the center financially; and now 28 churches are regular
- 19 supporters with donations built into their budgets; and
- 20 WHEREAS, she initiated many innovative fund raising techniques, such as placing over
- 21 2,000 baby bottles in churches and businesses for donations to the center in conjunction with
- 22 Mother's Day; and

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1 WHEREAS, she was instrumental in beginning parenting classes and Bible study for clients,

- 2 and she has worked to secure funds to purchase an ultrasound machine for the center; and
- 3 WHEREAS, it is only right and proper that this marvelous woman of God, who has touched
- 4 so many lives over the years, be recognized and honored for her many contributions to her
- 5 community and the state.
- 6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 7 Ms. Mildred Pettett is recognized and commended for her many contributions to her
- 8 community, and especially for her work with Crisis Pregnancy Centers.
- 9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ms. Mildred Pettett.